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M/S Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2008. The shortened statutory period for response expires on August 12, 2008. The Response is submitted prior to shortened statutory period for reply, therefore no extension fee is required to enter this Amendment.

Prior to reconsidering this application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

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